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The Angeles Forest Highway is a scenic mountain road that provides access to the Angeles National Forest and is one of two major routes that connects the Antelope Valley with the Los Angeles Basin. The other route is the Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14).

In 2011, the northern portion of the Angeles Forest Highway was rehabilitated; however, the remaining 16.5 miles (between 9,300 feet north of Mill Creek Summit and Angeles Crest Highway) was not included in the rehabilitation project due to insufficient funding.

In the spring of 2013, Public Works submitted a project application to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under the California Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) to fund the rehabilitation of the remaining 16.5 miles of pavement. Under FLAP, if a project is selected, FHWA partners with the local agencies to share in the costs of designing and constructing the project.

In the summer of 2013, Public Works and FHWA finalized the project scope to determine the final program and match commitments for the County and FHWA.

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The scoping document estimated the total costs for the project were:

Preliminary Engineering \$490,000 Construction Contract \$5,935,000 Construction Engineering \$500,000 Sub-total \$6,925,000 Project Contingency (10%) \$690,000

Total: \$7,615,000

The project application requested a 35% County (\$2,665,200) and 65% FHWA (\$4,949,800) cost sharing agreement of the project costs.

In October 2013, FHWA notified Public Works that the project application would be funded. It is imperative that the project moves forward on schedule without jeopardizing Federal matching funds.

## I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the County's local match for the preliminary engineering costs including a 10% contingency in the amount of \$188,650 from the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year Road Fund Budget;
- 2. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or her designee, to execute project and/or reimbursable agreements with FHWA and the Angeles National Forest to identify roles and responsibilities and funding required to complete the design and environmental impact analysis, within the approved funding parameters;
- Direct the Director of Public Works, upon completion of the design plans and construction specifications for the project, to return to the Board to request approval of the project and the remaining County match commitment.

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